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Closure Announced for South Alaska Peninsula Area State-Waters Pacific Cod Pot Gear Season

Emergency Order 4-GF-11-21

The South Alaska Peninsula Area state-waters Pacific cod season for vessels using pot gear will close at 8:00 a.m. March 15, 2021. Inseason catch estimates indicate harvest is approaching the pot gear allocation.

Fishermen are reminded that all groundfish pots must be open and unbaited at the time of the closure. Following the closure, open and unbaited pots may be stored at any depth for up to seven days. After seven days, all groundfish pots must be removed from the water or stored open and unbaited in waters not more than 25 fathoms in depth.

For additional information, contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840.

COVID-19

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/

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